

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : Raymond J. Beach et al.

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For : Tapered Laser Rods As A Means
Of Minimizing The Path Length Of
Trapped Barrel Mode RaysNOTICE OF APPEAL FROM THE EXAMINER TO THE BOARD OF PATENT
APPEALS AND INTERFERENCESCommissioner of Patents and Trademarks
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

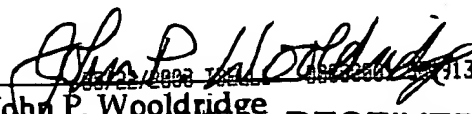
Applicant hereby appeals to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences
from the decision of the examiner, dated January 15, 2003, rejecting claims: 1-20.

The applicant is a small entity. Therefore the fee for this Notice is (37 CFR
1.17(b)) \$160.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees that may be
required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 501913. I have enclosed a
duplicate copy of this sheet.

If any impediments remain, please contact the undersigned at 925-292-8652

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